



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held February 3, 2004, the Board took the following action:

19

The following item was called up for consideration:

The Children's Planning Council's recommendation to adopt the following three County Goals and nine corresponding recommendations to help improve the lives of children and families in Los Angeles County; include the three goals into the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 5; instruct the Chief Administrative Officer in coordination with the Children's Planning Council and the Directors of Children and Family Services, Health Services, Public Social Services and the Chief Probation Officer to report back to the Board every six months for the next eighteen months, regarding the progress in achieving these recommendations;

Ensure that an additional 135,000 children and youth are enrolled into health coverage programs and that children and youth, who are enrolled in such programs, retain coverage for which they are eligible and are able to access quality, preventative care;

Significantly increase the number of children and youth in safe, stable, nurturing families, through support, prevention, safe reunification, and other permanency efforts that engage a broad spectrum of stakeholders in the community and public and private sectors; and

Increase the number of families with children that receive the Earned Income Tax Credit by 20,000 in Los Angeles County; also

Consideration of Supervisor Antonovich's recommendation to adopt the Children's Planning Council's findings and recommendations, and to include the Association of Community Human Service Agencies, faith-based organizations and other key stakeholders when implementing their plan to improve the plight of children in Los Angeles County.

(Continued on Page 2)

Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

“It is important that the recommendations of the Children’s Planning Council related to health services include an objective related to the quality assurance assessment of the health status of children.”

Therefore, Supervisor Yaroslavsky made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, that the Board approve the recommendations presented by the Children’s Planning Council, and include an additional objective under the Health Goals to read, “By July 2005, develop a quality assurance assessment program within existing resources that monitors key indicators of child health on an annual basis.”

Miriam Krinsky representing the Children’s Law Center, Merritt Holloway, Warren Williams, Yvonne Michelle Autry and Candace Owen, addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Adopted the Children’s Planning Council’s attached recommendations;
2. Requested the Children’s Planning Council to include the Association of Community Human Service Agencies, faith-based organizations and other key stakeholders when implementing their plan to improve the plight of children in Los Angeles County; and

(Continued on Page 3)

19 (Continued)

3. Requested the Children's Planning Council to include an additional objective under the Health Goals to read, "By July 2005, develop a quality assurance assessment program within existing resources that monitors key indicators of child health on an annual basis."

5020304-19

Attachment

Copies distributed:

- Each Supervisor
- Chief Administrative Officer
- County Counsel

Letter sent to:

- Executive Director, Los Angeles County
- Children's Planning Council